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Dr. David Humphrey Archivist Lyndon B. Johnson Library 2312 Red River Street Austin, Texas 70875

Dear Dr. Humphrey:

The enclosed memorandum from Ms. Barbara Ennis, Department of State, requests that we authorize a team of official historians access to CIA-originated documents in the Johnson Library. We understand that this team is carrying out research to be used in the official Foreign Relations of the United States series.

We also understand that the Department of State will certify the team members' secret and compartmented information clearances directly to you. We are therefore glad to authorize them access to all CIA-related material in your holdings at the level of their clearances or lower that is pertinent to the subject of their research.

We shall also enclose a copy of our "CIA Records Access Policy" to guide your office in handling these CIA documents. As indicated in paragraph three of this policy statement, these researchers are free to take notes and to have copies made of CIA documents, so long as the Johnson Library collects and sends these notes and copies to this office. After CIA review, we shall send Dr. William Z. Slany, the Historian, Department of State, the documents and notes released, and notify him (and you) of any material that cannot be released.

With many thanks for your help,

Yours sincerely,

/s/ J. Kenneth McDonald

J. Kenneth McDonald Chief Historian

Enclosures: